MONTHLY SUMMARY

OF

BUSINESS STATISTICS.

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SECTION A.—RAINFALL AND PRODUCTION.

1. RAINFALL—INDEX.

Index showing Weighted Average Ratio of Actual to Normal Rainfall.

(Average rainfall for each month = 100.)

37. 41.		Shee	p Distri	cts.		Wheat Districts.			Dairying Districts (Coastal only.)				
Month,	N.	C.	s.	w.	T.	N.	С.	s.	T.	N.	c.	S.	T.
1945. August September October November	. 46 . 42 . 66	157 16 68 50 43	151 34 125 78 46	107 18 116 28 61	144 30 85 61 49	156 23 53 76 42	139 18 72 60 48	157 32 128 69 48	152 27 104 67 47	44 68 94 115 92	61 18 80 129 69	34 21 77 82 67	47 50 89 115 82
1946. January February March April May June July August	95 66 66 39 23	100 129 76 90 40 38 38 38	166 327 105 61 53 75 109 60	236 228 43 14 24 64 34 8	151 195 79 65 42 49 55 25	130 49 48 60 37 33 20	110 153 76 78 35 38 42 14	184 363 113 48 49 59 114 60	158 269 95 57 43 50 84 41	92 174 164 98 13 6 1	44 77 197 291 22 69 2	67 100 63 136 30 173 7	77 140 160 152 18 44

N.-Northern; C.-Central; S.-Southern; W.-Western; T.-Total, all districts.

2. WOOL.

The total production of wool in New South Wales was 546,273,000 lb. in 1939-40; 536,908,000 lb. in 1940-41; 547,000,000 lb. in 1941-42; 497,538,000 lb. in 1942-43; 537,410,000 lb. in 1943-44, 448,683,000 lb. in 1944-45 and 431,549,000 lb. in 1945-46.

Under war time contract the British Government purchased the Australian wool clips 1939-40 to 1945-46. The agreed average price (per lb. greasy) was 10.75d. sterling or 13.4375d. Australian currency in 1939-40 to 1941-42 and 12.3625d. sterling (Aust. 15.4531d.) in 1942-43 to 1945-46.

The current clip is being sold by auction under agreement between United Kingdom Australia, New Zealand and South Africa for joint disposal of accumulated stocks and safe-guarding of prices of new wool.

			Number o	f Bales Rece	eived into Store	in Sydney.		1.3%	
Month.		During I	Month.		Total for Season to end of Month.				
Month.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1945-46.	1946-47.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1945-46.	1946-47.	
July	83,715	76,207	68,696	73,503	83,715	76,207	68,696 178,857	73,503 139,813	
August	105,532	113,506	110,161	66,310	189,247	189,713	310,950	139,013	
September	158,065	73,356	132,093		347,312				
October	173,622	129,588	183,001		520,934	392,657	493,951 668,452		
November	128,231	166,656	174,501	•••	649,165	559,313			
December	94,774	111,713	47,412		743,939	671,026	715,864		
Tanuary	135,652	101,888	44,883		879,591	772,914	760,747		
February		24,884	23,146		940,522	797,798	783,893		
March		23,799	28,966		984,015	821,597	812,859		
April	10 000	20,854	36,385		1,026,015	842,451	849,244		
May		34,419	40,424		1,077,289	876,870	889,668		
June	46 970	41,007	36,141		1,134,159	917,877	925,809		

3. WHEAT.

Production in New South Wales. Compiled from returns of wheatgrowers.

					Area unde	r Wheat.	Yield of Grain.		
	Season.					Harvested For Grain.	Total.	Average per Acre.	
Average—1934	-35				acres.	acres.	bushels.	bushels.	
to 1943-44			***		4,296,000	3,937,000	51,635,000	13.1	
1941-42			•••		4,342,000	3,969,000	48,500,000	12'2	
1942-43					3,386,000	3,033,000	51,693,000	17.0	
1943-44					2,975,000	2,693,000	47,500,000	17.6	
1944-45					3,174,000	2,845,000	17,134,000	6.0	
1945-46					4,213,000	3,774,000	62,520,000	16.6	

4. BUTTER OUTPUT-N.S.W. FACTORIES.

	Mont	h.	Average, 1937-38 to 1939-40.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1945-46.	1946-47
				Thousand	l lb.			
July			 5,061	5,163	3,313	2,462	3,286	2,641
August			 5,361	5,346	3,279	3,065	4,008	
Septemb	er		 7,093	5,952	4,933	5,397	5,007	
October			 10,107	7,499	8,626	8,483	7,557	
Novemb			 13,128	11,275	11,553	8,169	7,387	
Decembe	er		 13,471	12,032	13,079	7,532	8,820	
anuary			 12,310	13,044	12,821	8,004	8,146	
Februar	у		 11,816	10,219	10,184	6,769	8,146	
March			 11,370	8,648	8,440	8,261	8,498	
April			 10,044	6,129	5,165	5,811	6,185	
May			 8,145	4,789	3,870	4,477	4,468	
une			 6,024	3,679	2,594	3,287	2,772	
Year			 113,930	93,775	87,857	71,722	74,280	

5. COAL PRODUCTION IN N.S.W.—Thousand Tons.

Source-Commonwealth Coal Commissioner.

Periods of Four Weeks.* Last day of Period. (1946 dates.)	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
First 19th Jan. Second 16th Feb. Third 16th Mar. Fourth 13th April Fifth 11th May Sixth 8th June Seventh 6th July Eighth 3rd Aug. Ninth 31st Aug. Tenth 28th Sept.	731 933 981 886 1,003 965 918 953 1,028	744 933 813 843 843 907 899 905 938	625 774 781 782 930 866 884 884 880	640 867 893 755 791 914 846 914 778	519 860 913 859 674 905 798 846 911
Eleventh 26th Oct. Twelfth 23rd Nov. Thirteenth 21st Dec.	973 965 886	937 939 904	870 891 906	759 869 308	
52 weeks Total†	12,206	11,473	11,043	10,176	
Output—"Open Cuts" incl. above	56	60	180	523	
Period of 36 weeks ended*— Northern District Western District Southern District*	5th Sept. 5,689 1,130 1,580	4th Sept. 5,330 1,006 1,489	2nd Sept. 4,969 1,102 1,335	1st Sept. 4,844 1,152 1,402	31st Aug 4,946 1,147 1,193
Total (36 weeks)	8,399	7,825	7,406	7,398	7,286
Qutput—"Open Cuts" incl. above		36	89	342	457

* The Four-weekly Periods in Southern District end a week later than in other districts.
† Production as recorded by Mines Department was 11,196,000 tons in 1939, 9,550,000 in 1940, 11,766,000 in 1941. *20581-2 K123

BUILDING INDUSTRY.

6. SUMMARY OF PRIVATE BUILDING PERMITS.

Value of permits to erect new buildings and additions (compiled from returns of Municipal and certain Shire Councils). Government buildings are excluded.

	City of Sydney—New	S	uburbs of Syd	lney.	Total-	-Sydney and S	uburbs.	
Period.	Buildings and Alterations	New Buildings,		Alterations		Alterations		
<i>b</i>	and Additions.	No. of Permits.	Value.	and Additions.	New Buildings.	and Additions.	Total	
Monthly Average	£		£	£	£	£	£	
1938	284,132	621	748,064	137,989	974,836	195,349	1,170,185	
1939	157,127	581	744,532	116,630	848,963	169,326	1,018,289	
1940	127,851	567	735,057	113,612	788,668	187,852	976,520	
1941	46,002	632	745,228	112,720	757,943	146,007	903,950	
1942	22,580	30	45,880	52,010	51,343	69,127	120,470	
1943	20,704	15	19,677	73,006	21,311	92,076	113,387	
1944	27,671	35	35,511	70,395	35,553	98,024	133,577	
1945	22,019	331	336,445	80,812	338,842	100,434	439,276	
Month—								
1945-Aug.	21,114	453	431,750	74,823	433,175	94,512	527,685	
1946—July	129,188	990	1,460,988	213,915	1,470,788	333,303	1,804,09	
Aug.	80,024	992	1,411,451	331,398	1,419,801	403,072	1,822,87	
Eight Months (JanAug.)								
1945	158,372	1,557	1,467,251	513,053	1,494,241	644,435	2,138,67	
1946	620,473	6,387	8,593,078	1,629,096	8,675,633	2,167,014	10,842,64	

	129 In	dustrial and R	ural Towns.		Seven Shires.				
Quarter.	New Buildings.		Alterations	New Buildings.		Alterations	New Build- ings, Alter-		
	No. of Permits.	Value.	and Additions.	No. of Permits.	Value.	and Additions.	Additions.		
Quarterly Average-		£	£		£	£	£		
1938	1,277	1,074,724	245,066	324	200,866	61,786	5,092,997		
1939	1,126	849,892	215,389	359	246,018	29,242	4,395,406		
1940	850	752,163	183,881	363	250,096	35,659	4,151,369		
1941	863	691,258	164,264	399	306,332	27,634	3,901,338		
1942	206	144,982	58,542	98	54,724	11,511	631,168		
1943	76	36,401	62,239	39	15,162	13,295	467,257		
1944	109	59,601	87,067	86	45,133	25,550	618,083		
1945	592	473,569	129,554	611	503,434	50,867	2,475,251		
June Quarter-				Li cui iu iu			Figure 1 and 1		
1945	274	181,011	95,747	401	272,941	34,370	1,324,335		
1946	1,501	1,587,274	314,521	1,309	1,444,289	132,426	7,386,845		
Six Months (JanJune)		/.	0-1/5	-,5-2.	-,777,3	13-,420	1,300,043		
1945	435	283,851	182,388	571	370,825	76,463	2,168,200		
1946	2,702	2,676,065	546,816	2,370	2,523,513	230,097	13,192,174		

^{*} Metropolis, 7 adjacent shires and 129 rural and industrial towns; other areas not recorded.

BUILDING INDUSTRY.

7. CLASSES OF PRIVATE BUILDING PERMITS.

The value of principal classes of buildings for which permits were issued by loc councils in Sydney and Suburbs, 7 adjacent Shires and 129 Industrial and Rural Towns is shown below:—

		alue of New E	Buildings and	Alterations an	d Additions.	(Permits issue	d.)
Period.	Но	ises.	Flats.	Factories.	Shops (b) and	Other (Offices, Hotels,	T. 4.1
	Brick.	Wood, Fibro, etc.	(a)	ractories.	Public Garages.	Hospitals, etc.).	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Monthly Average-			Sydi	ney and Subu	rbs.		
1939 1944 1945	373,102 10,343 164,996	76,469 14,388 169,247	231,830 1,094 3,680	106,124 85,433 61,641	47,665 1,894 5,573	183,099 20,425 34,139	1,018,289 133,577 439,276
Month— 1945 August 1946 July 1946 August	207,483 733,382 758,237	234,267 529,220 506,560	3,316 40,235 71,967	50,364 322,873 339,948	7,203 26,185 48,982	25,054 152,196 97,179	527,687 1,804,091 1,822,873
Eight Months (Jan August)—							
1945	676,026 4,504,566	725,384	14,552 225,897	474,393 1,759,079	37,822 200,105	732,771	2,138,676 10,842,647
Quarterly Average-			129 Industr	ial and Rural	Towns.		
1939 1944 1945	187,801 6,795 80,748	482,784 49,873 389,274	36,997 1,755 2,749	28,847 41,784 53,182	102,725 5,469 17,420	226,127 40,992 59,750	1,065.281 146,668 603,123
Tune Ouarter—							
1945 1946 Six Months (Jan	22,141 328,857	153,744 1,061,726	3,082 50,785	42,631 137,977	14,059	41,101 181,902	276,758 1,901,795
June)— 1945	32,487 526,463	241,686 1,920,941	3,282 59:507	88,438 256,381	28,035 194,440	72,311 265,149	466 239 3,222,881
Quarterly Average-			7 Shires Adi	acent to the M	etropolis.		
1939 1944 1945	104,108 6,076 116,583	126,456 43,727 411,570	6,930 5 925	1,170 8,158 3,831	7,748 858 2,398	28,848 11,859 18,994	275,260 70,683 554,301
June Quarter— 1945 1946 Six Months (Jan June)—	61,965 435,130	227,511	1,500 7,600	306 3,923	1,791 40,375	14,238 71,768	307,311
1945	88,24I 687,062	314,690 1,879,079	1,500 11,775	11,295	1,791 52,035	29,771	447,288 2,753,610

⁽a) Includes conversions to flats. (b) Includes shops with dwellings attached.

8. GOVERNMENT BUILDING.

The following are particulars of Government building (Commonwealth, State and Public authorities) additional to private building to which tables 6 and 7 relate. Values included in respect of the State Housing Scheme relate to buildings actually commenced; for other Government building the values refer to contracts let and day labour jobs authorised:

	Value of New Buildings and Additions (Governmental).										
Area.		Month of Augus	t,	Eight Months ended August.							
44	*1944.	*1945.	1946,	*1944.	* 1945.	1946.					
Sydney and Suburbs Remainder of State	£ 221,339 205,396	£ 464,748 216,140	£ 383,515 305,884	£ 1,071,572 717,271	£ 2,101,914 1,064,659	£ 2,570,004, 1,751,204					
Total, N.S. Wales	426,735	680,888	689,399	1,788,843	3,166,573	4,321,208					

SECTION B.—TRADE.

9. WHOLESALE TRADE.

Approximate Amount of Sales (N.S.W.) by Traders Registered under Sales Tax Acts.

Total Taxable and Exempt Goods.

1	Peric	d,		1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946
	Ť						Millio	on £.			
Year ended 3	31st	Decemb	er	200.29	202.79	229.03	238.65	240.54	251.40	251.74	•••
January February March April May June July August September October November December				13·24 16·54 15·78 15·79 17·46 14·88 16·81 19·44 19·22 17·53 18·32	16·33 14·64 16·97 17·88 14·85 17·07 16·74 17·17 17·48 18·50 18·13 17·03	15.83 17.48 17.40 19.06 18.75 21.76 17.63 20.41 21.60 18.25 20.58 20.28	18.69 19.39 19.53 19.19 20.72 18.93 19.17 20.86 19.59 22.06 19.54 20.98	17·18 21·60 19·44 21·88 19·56 20·91 19·81 18·75 19·93 20·80 21·07 19·61	18.01 20.48 18.00 21.68 21.45 20.67 20.87 23.82 21.46 21.82 20.30 22.84	18.62 21°48 21°75 20°81 22°24 19°40 22°01 20°22 23°72 22°36 39°13	17.6: 21.7: 22.3: 26.8: 25.2: 23.5: 25.7:

10. RETAIL TRADE.

Returns collected by the Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with the Commonwealth Bank from the principal Sydney stores indicate the following increases or decreases per cent. for periods shown below compared with corresponding periods of previous year:—

Period.		Numb Busines in Pe	s Days	Net Sales (Value).	Value of Stock.	Wages and Salaries	Number of Employees.	Average e	Three Monthly Moving Average ended month shown.		
		Previous Year.	Current Year.			Paid.		Net Sales (Value).	Wages and Salaries Paid,		
Year ended December—				Percentag	e increase +	or decrease	-				
1938		303	303	+ 4.8	+ 5.2	+ 11.6	+ 5.0				
E939		303	303	+ 2.4	+ 2.0	+ 2.6	+ 0.0				
E940		303	305	+ 6.3	+ 17.0	+ 4.0	+ 1.0				
1941		305	304	+ 14.6	+ 8.0	+ 9.0	+ 4.0				
1942		303	306	- II.3	T 92	- 9.7	- I7·6				
¥943		306	302	+ 3'2	- 0.5	- 4.6	+ 1.4				
1945		302	301	+ 15.8	+ 11,1	+ 6.7	+ 50	1100			
1945.											
July		.26	26	+ 31.6	+ 16.7	+ 7'1	+ 4'3	+ 10.6	+ 4.8		
August		27	25	+ 16.6	+ 11.0	+ 6.4	+ 4'4	+ 21.8	+ 5°5		
September		26	25	+ 21.1	+ 10'2	+ 40	+ 6.7	+ 22.5	+ 5.8		
		25	26	+ 37.9	+ 4.9	+ 13.5	+ 9'9	+ 25'0	+ 8°0		
November		26	26	+ 40.6	+ 2'I	+ 13.6	+ 12.0	+ 33'4	+ 10.4		
December		24	23	+ 17.9	- 4.7	+ 17.4	+ 18.4	+ 30.8	+ 14.9		
1946.											
January		25	25	+ 24.6	- 6.3	+ 16.0	+ 14.8	+ 27°I	+ 16.0		
February		24	24	+ 37'4	- 9.6	+ 20.2	+ 19.4	+ 25'0	+ 18.5		
March		26	26	+ 47.8	- 11.4	+ 21.1	+ 10,0	+ 37'2	+ 19.5		
April		24	22	+ 47.2	- 13.0	+ 32'1	+ 20°2	+ 44.7	+ 24.6		
May		26	27	+ 51.8	- 12'9	+ 29.4	+ 20°I	+ 490	+ 27.4		
June		25	23	+ 9.6	- 7.5	+ 29'9	+ 21.0	+ 35'3	+ 30.4		
July	!	26 1	27	+ 25.5	+ 1.4	+ 32.8	+ 21.6	+ 28.7	+ 30.7		

Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 26.

SECTION C.—TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC.

11. RAILWAYS.

NEW SOUTH WALES RAILWAYS REVENUE AND BUSINESS.

The financial results of operations were:-

	1	46	Month of July.		Ye	ar ended 30th Jun	ne.
	243.48 (6	Gross Revenue.	Working Expenses.*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses.	Gross Revenue.	Working Expenses.*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses.
1944 1945 1946		£ 2,684,490 2,634,478 2,607,497	£ 1,925,087 2,037,266 2,038,118	£ 759,403 597,212 569,379	£ 34,501,192 31,577,137 31,313,410	£ 27,535,343 24,673,209 24,933,674	£ 6,965,849 6,903,928 6,379, 7 36

^{*} Excluding capital charges, viz., interest, exchange, sinking fund, etc., which amounted to £7,759,000 in year 1944-45.

† Excluding Government contribution £800,000 annually for developmental lines.

		Month of	July.	Year ended 30th June.				
		Tonnage of Goods and Livestock.*	Passenger Journeys.	Tonnage of Goods and Livestock.*	Passenger Journeys.			
944		thousands.	thousands.	thousands.	thousands			
945	 	1,575 1,557	22,289 21,758	18,579	254,099 267,423			

^{*} Partly estimated.

12. TRAMWAYS AND OMNIBUSES.

SERVICES OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ROAD TRANSPORT, NEW SOUTH WALES.

		Sydn	EY AND SUBU	RBS.	Newc	ASTLE AND SU	BURBS.
Peri	Period.		Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses.*	Passengers carried.†	Earnings.	Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses.*	Passengers carried.
No. 570 o		£	£	thousands.	£	£	thousands.
			Details for	r month of J	une are not	available.	
Year ended June							
1944 1945 1946	ni)	5,169,451 5,235,699 5,372,297	487,029 377,410 86,413	491,095 499,612 497,343	530,868 554,083 563,376	67,775 64,757 22,967	43,427 46,297 45,161

^{*}Exclusive of Sinking Fund, Interest on Loan Capital, Exchange and Current Depreciation (Sydney and Newcastle), which amounted to £537,000 in year 1944-45.

[†] Exclusive of Sydney Harbour Bridge passengers whose journey did not extend beyond the Bridge Section.

13. MOTOR VEHICLES.

NUMBER OF REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLES (N.S.W.) AS AT VARIOUS DATES.

(Exclusive of Vehicles of Defence Services.)

	1939.	1942.	1944.	1945.		19	46.	
Class.	31st August.	30th June.*	31st August.	31st August.	28th February.	30th June.	31st July.	31st August.
Cars Lorries and Vans Trailers Trailers Cycles—Solo Cycles—Side-car Omnibuses; Traireabs; Traireabs; Traireas Plates	216,633 77,639 6,538 1,102 17,111 6,884 794 1,331 1,187	169,916 71,248 6,965 1,366 10,538 4,785 890 1,352	181,740 78,496 7,750 1,575 11,295 3,794 990 1,349 630	185,665 84,257 9,187 1,787 12,319 4,076 1,039 1,351 662	189,640 90,960 10,480 1,886 14,083 4,692 1,058 1,357 765	190,978 97,176 11,067 2,056 15,546 4,946 1,069 1,357 848	191,320 98,665 11,197 2,075 15,817 5,015 1,073 1,357 885	191,701 100,076 11,334 2,118 16,216 15,053 1,071 1,358 938
Total	329,219	267,768	287,619	300,343	314,921	325,043	327,404	329,865

^{*} Lowest wartime cars; lowest lorries and vans (70,724) in October, 1942. † Excluding tractors used on farms only.

† Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts.

Average Weekly Number of New Vehicles Registered.

				Cars (Including Cabs and Omnibuses).							Lorries and Vans.				
	Year.		Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August	
1942 1943 1944 1945 1946	***	***	18 7 4 7 10	7 5 5 18	21 6 4 7 23	29 4 6 5 39	17 6 4 8 58	19 3 5 6 72	23 13 88 45 102	24 17 83 42 113	16 40 84 38 131	10 45 84 43 92	13 60 73 48 103	9 55 62 44 118	

14. WIRELESS LICENSES.

BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENSES IN FORCE IN N.S.W.

(Excluding Experimental Licenses.)

End of M	Ionth.		1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
	-11-1-1	4	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
lanuary			503,346	527,733	556,775	564,184	570,080
February			500,449	533,597	561,066	563,702	570,952
March			502,810	536,795	560,665	563,791	573,205
April		100	503,494	537,319	561,638	567,295	576,218
May			500,565	543,419	563,277	571,616	575,144
June	****		500,451	552,044	560,032	572,697	575,864
July	****		506,566	546,856	559,106	573,078	580,747
August	***		508,292	549,939	562,063	572,893	583,172
September			509,332	554,227	563,425	568,280	2 1000000
October		***	515,228	555,450	561,504	571,656	Bacco.
November			519,375	557,140	562,093	573,637	******
December	•••		523,920	558,381	560,717	571,790	eviantizati s

SECTION D.—FINANCIAL.

15. COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

TWO MONTHS ENDED AUGUST.

Revenue.		1945-46.	1946-47.	Expenditure.	1945-46.	1946-47.
Taxes—	4.0	millio		Social Services—	millio	
Customs and Excise Sales Income Payroll Estate Entertainments Other		11.14 4.93 37.06 1.90 0.66 0.80	15.84 6.38 29.03 2.18 0.73 0.82 0.56	Widows' Pensions Child Endowment Other Payments to States Tax Reimbursed to States Post Office	4.84 0.46 2.92 0.54 2.56 2.88 3.22	5·30 0·48 3·24 1·66 5·01 5·24 3·74 8·10
Total Taxes Post Office Other	•••	57°09 4°69 0°76	55°54 4°76 0°68	Total Non-War	7.43 24.85 37.69 30.32	32.77 28.22 0.48
Total Revenue		62.54	60:98	Total Expenditure	92.86	61.47

16. N.S.W. GOVERNMENT-REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

TWO MONTHS ENDED AUGUST.

Revenue.	1945-46.	1946-47.	Expenditure.	1945-46.	1946-47.
683	£ 000	€,000		£ 000	£ 000
From Commonwealth—			Interest, Exchange and Sink-		
Towards Interest	486	486	ing Fund	2,726	2,550
Reimbursement of Taxes	952	2,198	Less—Recoups from other		
Hospital Benefits		188	Activities	2	2
Stamp and Probate Duty	751	815			
Other Taxes	426	412	Net Debt Charges	2,724	2,548
Land	204	225	Other than Debt Charges—		
Services	217	230	Governmental	3,170	3,660
Other	543	813	Business Undertakings	5,007	5,363
Total Governmental	3,579	5,367			
Business Undertakings	6,261	6,396			
Total Revenue	9,840	11,763	Total Expenditure	10,901	11,571

Loan expenditure on works and services during the two months ended August was gross £621,000 and not £1.e.,gross less repayments to loan account) £586,000 in 1946-47, compared with gross £406,000 and not £348,000 in 1945-46.

Note.—Receipts and expenditure of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund are not included in this statement.

17. NINE TRADING BANKS—DEPOSITS AND ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA.

Deposits and assets in Australia of the nine banks which transact most of the private banking business in N.S.W. are shown below; the amounts are monthly averages of weekly figures.

Month.	Month. Deposi		Cash Items.*	Treasury Bills.	Government and Municipal Securities.	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank,	Advances						
million ∡.													
T	,	0											
	• • • •	318.4	28.6	23.9	22·I		291.7						
		345.4	31.1	38.3	43.7		289.9						
	• • •	360.0	33.3	36.1	61.9		283.7						
2 1		387.9	40.4	39.6	56.3	36.4	268.3						
		453.5	33.4	50.8	75.7	102.9	246.0						
	• • • •	534.5	38.0	55.4	89.1	182.8	221.8						
		582.5	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9						
		627.1	32.3	40.0	122.7	258.5	224.3						
945—													
		587.5	36.1	51.8	108.5	241.8	206.3						
		582.5	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9						
		572.0	33.4	44.8	104.4	233.7	212'1						
August .		575.0	37.5	54.6	107.0	224.0	210.3						
946-						。							
May .		630.8	35'3	48.1	123°1	259.0	220.4						
June .		627'1	32.3	40.0	122.7	258.5	224.3						
July .		613.1	32.3	21.1	117.1	255.5	236.2						
August .		616.5	37.0	23°I	112.8	252·I	238.4						

^{*} Excluding London Funds.

18. ALL TRADING BANKS—DEPOSITS AND ADVANCES.

There are 14 trading banks in N.S.W., viz., 9 to which Table 17 relates, the Commonwealth Bank (General Division), Rural Bank and 3 oversea banks; four other banks operate in Australia but not in N.S.W.

	-	Nev	v South Wa	les* (14 ban	ks).	Australia* (18 banks).				
Month.			Deposits.							
Month.		Non-Government.		Total,	Advances.	Non-Go	vernment.	Total,		
	Fixed. Current.		including Govt.		Fixed.	Current.	Govt.	Advances		
					million	£.			J	
1946—February March April May June July August		80.2 79.4 78.8 77.6 76.4 75.9 76.2	191.3 197'1 198'3 198'9 198'2 192.1 196'6	276.7 280°2 280°4 279°7 277°8 271°6 275°7	106.2 105.7 106.9 108.9 111.6 117.3 123.1	219.1 217.6 215.1 212.0 209.6 207.6 207.1	468.3 480.0 483.2 480.1 476.6 462.5 468.1	699.4 707.4 707.9 702.9 698.5 683.9 687.4	244.9 248.5 254.6 259.3 259.5 275.4 280.7	

*Comparable figures not available prior to September, 1945. Movements in deposits and advances since 1939 are illustrated by monthly averages in Australia of nine trading banks shown in Table 17, and by quarterly averages in New South Wales of these banks as shown below:—

September	Deg	posits.			Dep	posits.	
Quarter.	Non- Government.	Total, including Government.	Advances.	September Quarter.	Non- Government.	Total, including Government.	Advances
1939 • 1940 • 1941 • 1942 •	. I26·I	million £. 114.9 128.1 137.3 145.3	122·5 117·6 113·7 106·9	1943 1944 1945	169·1 200·9 217·8	million £. 172·3 203·6 219·8	93°5 85°1 85°9

19. SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS (NEW SOUTH WALES). ‡

As at June 3	oth	Amount of	End of Mont	1.		Amount of	Deposits.	
as at June 3	oth.	Deposits.†	End of Month.		1939-40.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1945-46,
1935		£000 77,906	September		£000 86,557	£000 134,163	£000 173,037	£000 207,520
1936		80,000	October		86,751	136,326	173,981	209,906
1937		81,952	November		86,684	138,328	176,748	214,806
1938		86,016	December		86,581	142,108	179,128	219,560
1939		87,474	January		86,716	146,283	181,801	224,705
1940		82,111	February		87,167	150,375	184,725	228,711
1941		87,750	March		86,759	154,154	187,894	230,420
1942		94,538	April		87,056	156,025	189,566	230,920
1943		122,405	May		85,179	157,045	192,884	232,221
1944		162,867	June†		82,111	162,867	198,203	236,242
1945		198,203	July		82,135	166,751	200,932	237,305
1946		236,242	August		83,074	170,104	204,794	236,985

† Including accrued interest.

Amount at credit of depositors' accounts.

SAVINGS CERTIFICATES: The net amount received from sales of certificates less re-purchases in New South Wales totalled £22,373,049 at 31st July, 1946; including £360,490 net receipts in July.

20. INTER-BANK CLEARINGS (SYDNEY).

(Value of cheques drawn on a Bank other than the Bank in which they were Deposited.)

Month.	1939.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.	1939.	1941.	1942.	1943	1944	1945.	1946
			Amount	Index Numbers.										
	66.5	90.3	92.0	106.7	107.5	114.2	I20.I	98	117	123	136	150	152	154
	75.5	82.0	97'1	105.4	121.2	114'1	131.8.	96	II4	123	139	147	149	157
March	80.5	89.4	102.0	123'4	130.1	123'4	144'1	93	IIO	II9	138	146	145	164
April	70.7	86.9	95'4	125'3	108.4	126.5	138.8	98	III	125	150	150	154	176
May	82.0	106.3	98.9	123.0	143.5	132.6	156.7	100	117	125	155	158	160	184
June	80.3	97.4	119.9	132.6	140'I	136.0	159.2	IOI	123	133	163	166	169	195
July	71.2	98.9	99.7	114'3	122.9	129'7	174'9	98	125	130	155	168	167	206
	74.9	87.0	99.0	122.7	127.4	121'0	157'3	99	123	135	160	169	168	214
September	74.9	94'9	105.6	116.2	120.9	123'4		99	124	134	155	163	166	
October	78.0	101.8	115.0	115.2	123.7	140'4		100	123	138	152	159	166	
November		99.6	105.0	129.3	126.3	129'7		102	124	135	149	153	164	
December	91.7	104.9	121.6	127.3	127.6	121.4		106	124	136	150	152	159	
Year	932.3	1139.4	1248.5	1442'3	1499.6	1512.4		100	120	131	151	156	160	

The index may be regarded as an approximate measure of changes in the volume of business transactions settled by cheques provided it is considered in conjunction with changes in price levels. It represents the ratio of each month's clearings to the average for the month concerned during the five years 1926–1930. This average is represented by 100 each month. Seasonal fluctuations have thus been eliminated. Casual fluctuations in monthly index numbers have been smoothed out by taking a three months' moving average, that is, the index shown above for each month is the average of the actual index of that month and the preceding two months. It may be compared vertically or horizontally.

The index is adjusted to eliminate the effects of Treasury Bill and other special transactions on behalf of Governments and the effects of bank amalgamations. No adjustment has been made for normal growth or change of price levels. The amounts of clearings shown are the recorded totals less Treasury Bill transactions only.

21. INTEREST RATES PER CENT. (N.S.W.).

	100		vate ortgages tered.	Yield on		th Government nwealth Income		subject to	
Period.	0		Average	Notexceed	ling Rates in fo	orce in 1930.	At Current Rates		
		Urban Securities.	Rural Securities.	Short-dated.	Medium- dated.	Long-dated.	Short-dated.	Long- dated. 12 years	
Average for year—				Under 5 years.	5 to 10 years.	10 years and over.			
1938		5'4	5:0	3.38	3.41	3.76		***	
1939			5.5	3.84	3.87	3.05	***		
1940		516	5°I	3'14	3°25	3.30			
1941		515	4.9	2'45	2.95	3.10		***	
				2 years.	7 years.	12 years.			
I94I		5.5	4'9	2.42	2.87	3'13	2:47	3°23	
I942		5.4	4'9	2.39	2.89	3.11	2.45	3°24	
I943		5.0	4.7	2.43	2.72	S	2:48	3123	
T944			4.4	2*30	2.60		2:45	3°24	
Months—	***	4.8	4.4	2*27	2:57		2*47	3*25	
1945-June		4.8	4.5	2.25	2*39		2'49	3°25	
December			4.4	2'41	2.75		2.46	3°25	
1946-March		4'7	4'3	1.97	2.62		1.82	3'24	
April		4.6	4.4	1.98	2.67		1.81	3'24	
May			4.4	2.00	2.48		1.79	3.25	
June	• • •	4.4	4'3	1.08	2.74		1.48	3*25	
July		7.7	4.2	1:93	2:69		1,00	3°24	
August		. 4.4	4.2	1'92	2.52		1.88	3.25	

^{*} Monthly rate is average of three months ended month shown.
† Compiled by Commonwealth Bank as at last Wednesday in month. § Subsequent yields uncertain.

22. REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS (N.S.W.).

(Registered under Real Property Act and Registration of Deeds Act.)

Month.			Co	nsiderat	ion of Sa	les.			Amo	unt of M	ortgages.	•	
		1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
							Thou	sand £.					
Tangary		2,383	2,815	1,226	1,000	1,786	2,246	1,148	916	595	383	608	1,078
February		2,557	2,472	1,294	1,507	1,999	2,357	1,329	975	390	611	593	1,179
March		2,677	2,083	1,550	1,552	2,059	2,726	1,320	996	503	663	688	1,047
April		2,574	2,276	1,517	931	1,663	3,832	1,305	891	536	302	526	1,431
May		2,835	1,154	11,185	1,307	2,204	4,697	1,324	526	381	495	606	1,641
June	***	3,029	1,266	1,358	1,809	2,373	3,593	1,273	599	400	687	864	1,708
July			1,540	1,783	1,992	2,726	4,005	1,470	622	399	543	902	.1,622
August	***	2,545	1,671	1,379	2,241	12,238	5,670	1,213	451	450	723	861	2,351
September	***	2,941	1,616	1,551	1,772	2,684		1,571	516	432	597	1,005	***
October	***	3,013	1,514	1,549	1,654	3,260		1,413	423	618	634	1,128	***
November	***	2,548	1,942	1,558	1,899	3,106		1,022	530	558	529	1,072	*
December		2,972	1,260	1,592	1,708	2,195	***	1,242	562	494	699	899	
Year		33,239	21,609	17,542	19,462	28,293		15,630	8,007	5,756	6,866	9,752	

^{*} Including new mortgages and renewals as registered.

23. LIENS ON CROPS AND WOOL AND MORTGAGES ON LIVESTOCK.

(Registered under Liens on Crops and Wool and Stock Mortgages Act.)

		201		Month of Augu	ist.	Eight 1	Months ended 31	st August,
		-	Crops.	Wool.*	Livestock.*	Crops.	Wool.*	Livestock.*
1944 1945 1946	***		£ 40,835 56,622 45,026	£ 46,183 115,176 77,369	£ 57,461 140,039 85,480	£ 852,025 792,908 573,910	£ 1,110,319 1,166,745 1,280,079	411,177 698,448 743,321

Note,—The amounts shown relate substantially to mortgages of fixed amounts for fixed periods, and exclude fluctuating advances (such as overdrafts) secured by mortgage. Mortgages providing collateral security are included,

24. STOCK EXCHANGE INDEX (SYDNEY).

The following index of the values of the principal Company shares on Sydney Stock Exchange embraces the ordinary shares of companies (excluding banking companies) whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales.

The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £ of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average for the whole of the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made where capital is written off or bonus shares are issued.

Month.	Manufactur- ing and Distributing Companies.	Retail Companies.	Public Utility Companies.	Pastoral and Finance Companies.	Insurance Companies.	Total* Companies 75.	Active Shared included in foregoing.
							1
April, 1992 §	179.3	183.8	129.4	174.1	243.5	174.4	172.6
Sept., 1931 §	72.3	60.2	87.9	75.2	121.3	74'4	77*2
Mar., 1937 §	213.8	203.8	181.0	169.2	281.2	190'4	200.5
1945-July	242.2	207*4	170.3	147'3	264.6	195.6	2100
Aug	242.3	207'3	170'3	146.8	264.6	195.6	209'9
Sept		207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
Oct	255'3	216'3	178.2	150.8	274.6	204'5	220'2
Nov		224'I	182.1	156.9	291.5	212.8	229°7
Dec	266.0	224.0	182.3	154.7	291'5	212.6	229'3
1946-Jan		225.8	182.1	153.0	291.5	212.8	229'0
Feb	266.2	226.5	182.3	1540	291.2	213.0	229'2
Mar	267.3	227.6	184.0	157.2	292.6	213.5	230'3
A:1	0-9-0	236.8	190°2	161.8	306.2	221.5	240'I
20 1	20214	239'5	101.1	162.8	306.0	222.8	241'2
17	-0	239'4	100.0	161.0	306.9	222'3	240.8
T1	280.2	239'5	190.5	161.6	306.0	222'3	240.6
Aug.	00===	244.6	193.6	165.1	312.2	226.2	244.5

25. PRICES OF METALS.

Average Monthly Prices of Metals (Export Parity f.o.b. Australia) in Australian Currency.

	Period.		T		ver dard).	L	ead.		(Elect	inc	tic).	(Stand		.	(Fi	old ne).	
	remot.		-	per	oz.	pe	r ton	.	per	ton	.	per	on.		per	oz.	_
1938				s. 2	d. 0·14 1·42	£ 17	s. 12	d. II	-	12	d. 10	£ 228 268		d.		s. 17	d.
1939	•••	•••		2	2.95	18	14	6	22	9	11	292	19	8	10	13	1 8
1941 1942	•••	•••		2	4.66	19 21	9	9	22		11	295 285	9	I	10	9	1
1943	***	•••	•••	2	4.63	22 26	19	2	23	15	2	283 335	7	6	10	10	(
1944		***		2	10.29	34	IO	10	37	6	4	350 356	9	0		13	1
1946-	-January February		• • • •	4	2.19	36 42	17 8	6	52 48		IO	355	I	3	TO	15	
	March			4	2'19	42 51	8	6	51 50	9	4	355 354	19	5		15	
	April May	•••	***	4	219	54	2	3	51	-8	10	354	19	5	10		
	June	•••	•••	4	2.88	53	14	6	50	10	7	354	19	3	10	-3	

SECTION E.—GENERAL.

26. EMPLOYMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVIL EMPLOYMENT.

The estimates shown below are based on Civilian Registers and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth Pay-roll Tax as from July, 1941. Employees in defence forces at home or abroad and Government "relief" workers are not included.

	Employ Rural, F	timated Total rment. (Exc Household D Defence For	eluding omestic		Estimate	ed Emplo	yment in Ma	in Indust	rial Groups.	tadopite Nan Selta
Month.	Govern-			Mining	Factori	es. (b)	Transport			Professiona
	mental Authori- ties. (a)	Private Employers.	Total.	and Quarry-ing.	Gov'tal Munit'ns and Aircraft.	Other.	and Communi- cation.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	and Personal Services.
				MALE	S. (Thou	ısands.)				
1033—June 1239—July 1239—July 1242—July 1242—July 1244—July 1244—July 1255—July Oct Nov Dec 1246—Jan Feb Mar April April May June July June July Aug April April May June July Aug Aug	136.5 141.5 158.6 156.6 152.4 156.5 155.3	277.5 393.4 404.8 376.0 365.4 369.7 377.5 374.1 373.3 361.8 392.6 409.9 418.4 421.1 431.5 436.9 448.7	380-7 529-9 546-3 534-6 522-1 534-6 522-1 534-6 529-4 525-3 549-3 560-3 580-5 584-5 505-8 602-4 619-1	25.8 25.4 25.1 24.4 24.6 24.9 24.7 23.5 23.7 22.5 23.7 24.9 24.9 24.2 25.1 25.3 25.3 25.3	0.6 10.2 21.6 26.8 20.1 14.8 20.1 14.8 13.9 17.7 8.2 6.6 6.3 6.5 5.8 5.6 5.4 23.2 23.2		78·2 80·3 81·5 84·1 88·6 88·7 87·6 88·2 80·3 88·9 90·3 90·3 90·3 90·3 90·3 90·3 90·3	32:3 32:3 28:7 28:7 28:4 29:9 30:2 30:8 31:5 32:7 35:8 35:8 35:4 36:3 36:4 40:3 41:8	43°3 36°0 33°2 34°2 35°9 36°4 37°7 39°4 39°6 42°2 43°6 45°5 45°5 45°8 48°2 49°0 50°3 51°4	52·5 45·0 43·3 45·4 47·3 48·7 49·4 50·1 50·2 55·3 53·5 54·9 57·7 58·5 59·3
					S. (Thou) 999	420	3-4	, 39.3
1933—June 1939—July 1941—July 1942—July 1944—July 1945—July 1945—July Oct Nov Dec 1946—Jan Feb Mar April April June July June July	16:8 19:4 21:7 29:3 45:8 45:5 43:8 41:3 38:0 37:2 36:8 36:8 36:3 35:4 34:4 32:9 34:4	109'0 148'6 192'4 203'6 204'1 206'1 208'8 210'3 209'0 207'4 210'2 206'8 206'1 208'8 211'4 210'6 213'1 214'3 215'0	125.8 168.0 214.1 232.9 249.6 252.1 253.1 250.3 246.5 248.5 245.1 246.8 245.5 246.7 247.3		0.7 3.99 13:29 9:1 5:4 5:2 3:6 2:1 1:7 1:4 1:2 1:1 0:9 0:9 83 83 (Thousan	59:3 75:3 80:9 81:4 82:5 81:5 79:8 77:3 76:0 77:3 76:8 80:2 79:7 80:9 81:4	8·1 9·0 12·9 13·9 14·6 14·4 14·4 14·2 13·9 14·0 13·8 13·4 13·2 13·1 12·6 12·5	40.9 41.1 38.5 39.2 39.5 39.5 39.7 40.1 41.5 40.5 40.6 40.6 40.6 40.8 40.9 40.5	20.5 20.7 20.5 20.4 20.6 20.7 20.9 21.1 21.0 20.6 20.5 20.5 20.5 20.5 20.5 20.5 20.5	 57.0 58.9 62.3 65.7 68.5 69.2 69.6 69.9 70.0 68.4 71.4 71.8 72.4 72.2 72.2
1933—June	120.0	386.5	506.5		0.6	217.5				
941—July 943—July 944—July 945—July 945—July Aug Sept Oct Doc 946—Jan Feb Feb April April May June July July Aug	163:2 187:9 202:4 197:9 199:8 198:4 196:6 193:3 192:2 194:3 195:7 197:5 198:3 201:1 202:3 203:1 202:7	597-2 579-6 569-5 575-8 586-3 589-5 583-1 578-5 583-5 568-6 598-7 629-8 631-7 644-6 656-5 663-7	760-4 760-5 771-9 773-7 786-1 787-9 779-7 771-8 775-7 762-9 792-2 814-4 827-3 830-0 845-7 852-5 859-6 866-4	26·0 25·6 25·3 24·6 24·8 25·1 24·9 23·7 24·0 22·7 23·1 25·1 25·1 25·1 25·1 25·1 25·1 25·1 25	10'9 25'5 40'0 29'2 20'2 19'1 15'3 11'5 8'0 7'5 7'7 7'6 6'7 6'5 6'2 318	267·2 272·4 280·0 280·8 282·2 276·7 271·2 271·4 257·9 283·2 294·9 299·8 307·3 309·6	86·3 89·3 94·4 98·0 102·6 103·3 102·0 102·6 103·5 107·3 107·3 107·9 100'1 111·9 112·4	82·2 73·4 67·2 65·6 69·1 69·7 70·5 71·6 74·2 79·6 75·7 77·0 78·6 79·2 80·3 81·1 82·7 82·5	60-9 56-7 53-7 54-6 56-5 57-1 57-9 58-8 60-4 60-0 62-8 64-1 66-0 66-2 68-7 69-5 70-9 72-3	109.5 104.9 105.6 111.1 116.1 117.5 118.3 119.3 120.1 118.9 121.8 121.8 127.7 129.8 129.9 130.7 132.0

⁽a) Employees of Commonwealth, State and Local Government Authorities and of Allied Governments.
(b) Exclusive of Working Proprietors. Numbers from July, 1945, are subject to revision.
(c) Includes Education, Health, Hotels and Restaurants, Professional and Personal Services (except private domestic).

27. CONSUMPTION OF GAS AND ELECTRICITY.

Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity (Sydney). (Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units.)

Month.		Average, 1929 to 1931.	1929.	1932.	1936.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
January		ICO	103	93	IIO	125	136	141	141	164	155	173	165
February		100	105	95	II2	125	135	142	145	159	161	174	181
March		100	102	95	III	130	130	143	146	164	165	171	185
April		100	104	96	IIO	125	137	141	147	164	162	172	189
May		100	106	95	IIO	128	128	146	144	166	172	178	192
June		100	103	99	114	131	135	150	154	174	176	176	197
July		100	105	97	112	134	139	149	158	171	177	184	195
August		100	106	97	107	135	137	151	157	181	181	177	195
September		100	108	97	113	134	134	151	158	171	172	180	
October		100	109	96	113	135	137	154	163	162	169	174	
November		100	109	97	116	136	139	152	161	164	171	179	
December	•••	100	105	99	116	131	138	153	165	163	169	123	
Year		100	105	96	II2	131	135	148	154	167	170	172	

The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

28. RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—SYDNEY—WAR PERIOD.

(Base: Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities in 1923-27 = 1,000.)

		Food and	Rent-	0.00	Miscellaneous	Total Hous	sehold Expenditure.
Quarter.		Groceries.	4 and 5 rooms.	Clothing.	Items.	Index Number.	Increase from Sept Quarter, 1939.
	1	1		1	1 1		Per cent.
1939—September		930	1,039	841	939	933	
1940—September		945	1,042	948	996	973	4'3
1941—September		947	1,043	1,129	1,062	1,027	10.1
1942—September		1,061	1,042	1,337	1,105	1,122	20'3
1943—March*		1,050	1,042	1,408	1,145	1,141	22.3
Junet		1,065	1,042	1,479	1,162	1,165	24'9
September		1,039	1,042	1,463	1,176	1,154	23.7
1944—March		1,019	1,043	1,443	1,176	1,143	22.2
June		1,025	I,043	1,437	1,172	1,143	22.5
September		1,035	1,043	1,437	1,167	1,146	22.8
December		1,022	1,043	1,441	1,169	1,142	22'4
1945—March		1,027	1,043	1,420	1,163	1,138	22'0
June		1,040	1,043	1,410	1,163	1,141	22.3
September		1,042	1,043	1,412	1,163	1,142	22.4
December		1,029	1,043	1,459	1,163	1,147	22.9
1946—March		1,035	1,043	1,463	1,167	1,151	23'4
June		1,042	1,043	1,510	1,171	1,165	24'9

^{*} Price stabilisation level. † War-time peak.

29. BASIC WAGE-INDUSTRIAL AWARDS.

Amount per week-Adult Males.

v	EAR.		Sydne	ey, Ne	wcast ort K	le, Wol	long	ong—				Crown (All	n Em Distr	ployees icts).			
	ZAIK.	Febru	ary.	Ma	y.	Augu	st.	Novem	November.		February,		7.	August.		November.	
		S.	d. 1	S.	d.	S.	d.	I S.	d.	S.	d. 1	S.	d.	S.	d.	I S.	d.
1939		 81	0	82	0	81	0	82	0	80	0	80	0	80	0	80	0
1940		 82	0	83	0	85	0	85	a	81	0	81	0	83	0	84	0
1941		 88	0	88	0	89	0	89	0	86	0	87	0	87	0	88	0
1942		 91	0	93	0	95	0	97	0	90	0	92	0	94	0	96	0
1943		 98	0	98	0	IDO	0	99	0.	97	0	97	0	99	0	98	0
1944		 99	0	99	0	99	0	99	0	97	0	97	0	97	0	98	0
1945		 99	0	98	0	98	0	99	0	97	0	97	0	97	0	97	0
1946		 99	0	99	0	100	0			98	0	98	0	99	0	li .	1

^{*} In all other districts, except Broken Hill, the rates were 3s. less.

In 1939 quarterly variations commenced in March, June, September and December.

The estimated population of N.S.W. at 31st December, 1945, was 2,912,791 or 39'3 per cent. of the total population of Australia (Sydney and Suburbs, 31st December, 1943, 1,398,170).

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30th September, 1946.

SUPPLEMENT.

1. Population, Births, Deaths and Marriages-Years 1939 to 1946.

	Estimated Population	Live	Dea	ths.	Marriages.		per lation.	Infantile Mortality. Deaths under	
Year.	at end of Year (a).	Births.	Total.	Under 1 year.	Marriages.	Live Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	i year per i,ooo Live Births.
1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1945 19an		No. 48,003 49,382 51,729 52,647 57,265 59,612 61,662	No. 26,815 26,143 27,300 (b)29,219 (b)28,870 (b)26,652 (b)26,994	No. 1,969 1,927 2,264 2,116 2,072 1,829 1,889	No. 25,471 30,364 29,983 34,533 26,302 26,426 25,283	17.47 17.81 18.53 18.68 20.16 20.76 21.27	9.76 9.43 9.78 10.37 10.16 9.28 9.31	9:27 10:95 10:74 12:25 9:26 9:20 8:72	41°0 39°0 43°8 40°2 36°2 30°7 30°6
June 1945 1946(c)		31,540 30,136	(b)12,627 (b)13,483	924 941	12,613 16,403	21.80	8·73 9·23	8.72 11.23	29°3 31°2

⁽a) Including persons enlisted in armed forces wherever located. (b) Civilians only. (c) Preliminary.

2. Marriages Quarterly 1939 to 1946.

		Met	ropolis.			Remainder	of State.			
Year.		Quarte	r ended—		Quarter ended					
	March.	June.	September.	December.	March.	June.	September.	December.		
1939 1940 1941 1942 1944 1945	No. 3,545 4,271 4,249 5,965 4,583 4,389 3,943 5,176	No. 3,837 4,363 4,724 6,044 4,418 4,427 4,008 5,124	No. 3,202 4,770 3,997 4,980 3,691 3,960 3,723	No. 4,549 5,172 5,738 5,106 4,325 4,272 4,346	No. 2,43I 2,938 2,572 3,327 2,58I 2,294 2,306 3,030	No. 2,811 2,781 3,011 3,459 2,402 2,574 2,356 (a)3,073	No. 2,326 3,133 2,631 2,803 2,079 2,324 2,163	No. 2,770 2,936 3,061 2,849 2,223 2,186 2,438		

⁽a) Preliminary.

3. Net Value of Production*-Recorded Industries 1938-39 to 1944-45.

		Rural	Industries.		Forests,	Mines	Total		
Year.	Pastoral.	Agri- cultural.	Dairying and Farmyard.	Total Rural Industries.	Fisheries and Trapping.	and Quarries.	Primary Industries.	Manu- facturing.	Total.
1939-40 1940-41 1941-42 1942-43	 £000 23,613 34,562 35,305 34,121 38,212 42,580 37,452	£000 13,401 18,076 11,186 16,043 †24,267 †26,950 †17,339	£000 13,147 13,266 13,368 12,826 17,257 18,269 19,760	£000 50,161 65,904 59,859 62,990 †79,736 †87,799 †74,551	£000 3,429 3,658 4,646 6,045 5,507 7,026 7,048	£000 9,948 10,927 10,233 12,403 12,897 13,158 13,137	£000 63,538 80,489 74,738 81,438 †98,140 †107,983 †94,736	£000 90,266 96,609 115,044 138,790 153,582 162,726 159,875	foco 153,804 177,098 189,782 220,228 †251,722 †270,709 †254,611

^{*} Represents gross value at place of production less goods used in the process of production e.g., fedder, seed, fertiliser used on farms, and raw materials and fuel in factories.

† To be increased by further payments from wheat pools.

RURAL INDUSTRIES.

4. Area under Crop.

	Season ended March.		Wheat (grain only).	Maize (grain only).	Oats (grain only).	Rice.	Sugar-cane cut for Crushing.	Hay.	Potatoes.	Total Area of Crops.
1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945			Acres. 4,650,872 4,380,595 4,453,963 3,968,758 3,032,946 2,693,302 2,844,804 3,773,901	Acres. 122,201 115,856 142,147 117,262 103,591 103,237 94,107 92,416	Acres. 399,449 405,262 236,910 303,860 431,299 374,205 544,364 617,070	Acres. 23,533 24,120 24,547 23,633 34,232 40,690 24,596 28,372	Acres. 10,458 10,488 10,192 8,491 9,732 8,240 6,771 5,943	Acres. 1,068,925 706,599 715,625 714,142 736,157 534,470 585,829 750,714	Acres. 16,866 19,232 17,836 17,685 24,488 30,067 34,796 22,865	Acres. 7,049,357 6,381,531 6,374,354 5,920,561 5,297,313 4,797,385 5,044,792 6,087,566

5. Production of Crops.

(In Thousands—ooo omitted.)

	on end	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Rice.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Potatoes.	Total Value of all Crops to Producers.
		Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	f
1939		 59,898	2,905	4,831	2,775	337	1,181	39	18,459
1940		 76,552	2,833	6,904	1,858	275	966	41	21,237
1941		 23,933	4,044	1,995	2,240	343	617	50	14,250
1942		 48,500	3,142	4,118	2,192	359	715	39	20,308
1943		 51,693	2,815	7,338	3,084	338	986	65	28,9671
1944		 47,500	2,769	7,050	4,015	290	736	66	31,784
1945		 17,134	2,437	1,757	1,693	200	371	81	21,443†
1946		 62,520	2,561	9,997	2,735	166	980	62	*

6. Average Yield per acre of Crops.

	on endarch.		Wheat.	Maize.	Cats.	Rice.	Sugar-cane.	Нау.	Potatoes.	Value per Acre of All Crops.
		-	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	f. s. d.
1939			12.0	23.8	12.1	118	32.20	1.10	2.34	1
1940			17.5	24.5	17.0	77	26.18	1.37	2.11	2 12 4
1941			5.4	28.4	8.4	91	33.61	0.86	2.83	3 6 8
1942			12.2	26.8	13.6	93	42.33	1.00	2.18	2 4 9
1943			17.0	27.2	17.0	90	34.73	1.34	2.64	5 0 /
1944			17.6	26.8	18.8	99	35.24	1.38	2.18	6 12 6
1945			6.0	25'9	3'2	60	29'54	0.63	2'32	
1946			16.6	27.7	16.5	96	27'94	1,31	2'70	4 5 01

7. Live Stock.

			Cattle.			
At 31st March.	Horses.	Cows in Registered Dairies.	All Other.	Total.	Sheep.	Pigș.
1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945	No. 531,355 534,837 531,776 525,697 483,277 465,672 436,443 403,645	No. 1,068,906 1,068,999 1,054,770 1,055,172 1,054,511 1,043,273 1,035,991 1,021,087	No. 1,742,978 1,693,654 1,714,291 1,823,278 1,976,035 2,100,105 2,108,710 2,095,747	No. 2,811,884 2,762,653 2,769,061 2,878,450 3,030,546 3,143,378 3,144,701 3,116,834	No. 48,877,000 54,372,000 55,568,000 56,737,000 56,837,000 46,662,000 44,076,000	No. 377,344 451,064 507,738 454,102 486,960 561,294 523,917 432,612

^{*} Not yet available. † Subject to revision.

8. Sheep and Lambs shorn and Quantity of Wool produced.

	Sheep and	Average		Weight of W	ool Produced (a	s in the grease)	
Season.	Lambs Shorn.	Clip (Greasy)*	Shorn and Crutched.	Dead.	Fell- mongered.	Exported on Skins.	Total Production. 472,585 503,616 495,027 437,141 546,273 536,908 547,000 497,538 537,410
1935-36 1936-37 1937-38	Thousands. 55,805 55,485 54,673	lb. 7'7 8'3 8'2	429,701 459,650 44 7, 695	2,358 1,423 1,772	Thousand lb. 24,176 24,303 23,950	16,350 18,240 21,610	503,616
1938-39 1939-40 1940-41 1941-42	51,530 54,637 57,704 58,537	7.6 9.1 8.4 8.5	391,627 497,356 484,012 497,446	2,427 1,095 1,327 1,126	25,678 32,751 46,019 41,964 42,500	17,409 15,071 5,550 6,464 4,792	546,273 536,908 547,000
1942–43 1943–44 1944–45 1945–46	57,318	7.8 8.6 7.6 8.5	448,968 490,331 398,598 386,724	1,278 883 1,164 1,204	39,816 38,261 31,647	6,380 10,660 11,974	

^{*} Includes crutchings.

9. Sheep-Lambing, Slaughter, Exports and Deaths.

(In Thousands—ooo omitted.)

Season.	Lambs Marked.	Sheep and Lambs Slaughtered.	Net Movement of Sheep to (—) and from (+) Other States.	Approximate Number of Deaths on Holdings.	Sheep at 31st March
1938-39 1939-40 1940-41 1941-42 1942-43 1943-44 1944-45	No. 9,286 15,674 14,014 14,616 13,627 15,068 11,069 9,894	No. 6,311 6,887 8,167 8,115 9,299 9,476 8,865 7,601	No. (+) 230 (-) 44 (-) 664 (-) 1,432 (-) 772 (-) 798 (-) 1,009 (+) 393	No. 5,891 3,248 3,987 3,990 4,250 4,000 11,370 5,272	No. 48,877 54,372 55,568 56,737 56,043 56,837 46,662 44,076

MINING.

10. Mines in Operation-Years ended 31st December, 1939 to 1945.

						Valu	ie of—	
Year.		Mines in Operation.	Persons Employed (Average).	Salaries and Wages Paid.	Land, Buildings, etc.	Machinery and Plant.	Materials and Fuel Used, etc.	Output. £000 7,027 6,361 8,458 9,739 9,761 9,452 4,440 4,663 5,147 4,914 5,108
		No.	No.	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
				CO	AL MINES.			
1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944		172 163 152 138 125 137	16,144 16,777 16,812 16,634 16,838 16,839 17,020	4,659 4,047 5,544 6,318 6,448 6,444 5,969	3,405 3,295 3,347 3,309 3,275 3,299 3,289	6,584 6,691 6,701 6,521 6,513 6,434 6,530	960 936 1,214 1,448 1,503 1,634 1,655	6,361 8,458 9,739 9,789 9,761
	,			OTH	HER MINES.			
1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945		425 420 408 320 261 223 216	6,362 6,109 5,669 5,061 4,956 4,551 4,432	1,934 1,981 2,042 1,946 2,118 2,063 2,110	410 426 417 435 411 401 390	1,779 1,813 1,825 1,698 1,441 1,438 1,412	818 930 941 926 1,070 1,045 1,106	4,663 5,147 4,914

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